## La Crosse County's Older Population

## **Social and Economic Characteristics**

**Source**: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census 2000 Summary File 3. Prepared by Cindy Ofstead, DHFS Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources, 6/2005.

	La Crosse County		Wisconsin
Household Income (Householder Age 65+)		Percent	Percent
Income less than \$35,000	5,822	67.8%	65.2%
Income less than \$50,000	7,054	82.2%	80.4%

Persons 65+ with Incomes Below Poverty Level	Number	Percent	Percent
Below Poverty	936	7.5%	7.4%
Below 2.0 x Poverty	3,655	29.3%	29.6%

Median Income: Comparing Age Groups	Dollars	Dollars
Total (Householders of all ages)	\$39,472	\$43,791
Householder 65 to 74 years	\$30,000	\$31,328
Householder 75 years and over	\$19,842	\$21,046

Employment Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Males Employed in Civilian Labor Force	975	17.9%	17.7%
Females Employed in Civilian Labor Force	755	9.4%	9.3%

Educational Attainment: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
65+; Less than 9th grade	2,017	15.0%	17.8%
65+; 9th to 12th grade; no diploma	1,672	12.4%	15.5%
65+; High school graduate (includes equivalency)	5,275	39.1%	38.2%
65+; Some college; no Bachelor's degree	2,495	18.5%	13.7%
65+, Bachelor's degree or more	2,021	15.0%	12.7%

Marital Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Never married	970	7.2%	4.7%
Married	6,842	50.8%	52.9%
Separated	625	4.6%	5.2%
Widowed	4,226	31.4%	31.3%
Divorced	817	6.1%	5.9%
Males, 65 and over, married	3,817	70.0%	71.3%
Females, 65 and over, married	3,025	37.7%	39.9%

Disability Status, Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Persons 65 or older with any disability	4,414	35.4%	36.5%
With a sensory disability	1,476	11.8%	11.9%
With a physical disability	2,892	23.2%	24.1%
With a mental disability	968	7.8%	7.6%
With a self-care disability	950	7.6%	7.5%
With a go-outside-home disability	2,086	16.7%	17.7%
Age 65+, with disability and income below poverty level	451	10.2%	10.6%